

ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2015/90

Certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic modules or panels

Exported from the People's Republic of China

Further extension to due date for final report

Customs Act 1901 - Part XVB

On 14 May 2014, the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commission) published a notice announcing the initiation of an investigation into the alleged dumping of certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic (PV) modules or panels exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China.

A full description of the goods is in Anti-Dumping Notice No. 2014/38, available on the Commission's website at www.adcommission.gov.au.

Statement of Essential Facts No. 239 (SEF 239) for the investigation was published on 7 April 2015. The SEF proposed that the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commissioner) terminate the investigation on the basis that dumping has caused negligible injury to the Australian industry.

In response to the SEF, the Australian industry (Tindo Solar) provided new information alleging that the Government of China has influenced the costs and prices of PV modules or panels in the Chinese domestic market, making domestic selling prices unsuitable for determining normal value. A public record version of Tindo Solar's submission is available on the Commission's website.

The Commission engaged an external consultant to independently research, analyse and assess information that will assist the Commissioner to establish whether the prices of PV modules or panels in the Chinese domestic market were distorted in such a way that they are not suitable for the assessment of normal values. A public record version of the consultant's report is available on the Commission's website.

I requested a further extension from the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry and Science (Parliamentary Secretary), under subsection 269ZHI(1)(b) of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act), in order to consider the information gathered following publication of the SEF and, if a market situation is found, carry out the tasks that flow on from such a finding. The Parliamentary Secretary has, under subsection 269ZHI(3) of the Act, granted an extension of 80 days.

Unless the investigation is terminated earlier, a final report and recommendation to the Parliamentary Secretary will now be made on or before 6 October 2015.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the case manager on telephone number +61 2 6276 1462, fax +61 3 8539 2499 or email operations2@adcommission.gov.au.

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